

**IC 16-23.5-4**

## Chapter 4. James Whitcomb Riley Hospital for Children

**IC 16-23.5-4-1****Board of trustees; establishment**

Sec. 1. The board of trustees shall establish, in Indianapolis, a hospital, to be known as the James Whitcomb Riley Hospital for Children, for the treatment of children afflicted with any disease, defect, or physical deformity that may be relieved or improved by proper medical and surgical attention.

*As added by P.L.2-2007, SEC.191.*

**IC 16-23.5-4-2****Buildings**

Sec. 2. The board of trustees may construct and equip the necessary buildings for the hospital with:

- (1) accommodations for not less than two hundred (200) patients; and
- (2) offices, quarters for officers, nurses, and employees, and other necessary appurtenances.

The buildings must be specially designed and equipped for the application of the most approved methods in the diagnosis and medical and surgical treatment of afflicted children.

*As added by P.L.2-2007, SEC.191.*

**IC 16-23.5-4-3****Direction and control of the hospital**

Sec. 3. The hospital is:

- (1) a department of Indiana University; and
- (2) under the direction and control of the board of trustees of Indiana University.

*As added by P.L.2-2007, SEC.191.*

**IC 16-23.5-4-4****Powers of the board of trustees**

Sec. 4. The board of trustees may:

- (1) adopt and apply rules and regulations for proper management of the hospital;
- (2) employ, discharge for sufficient cause, and fix the compensation of a superintendent of the hospital, who is responsible to the board of trustees for the proper administration of the hospital and the care and treatment of the afflicted children committed to the hospital;
- (3) fix the number and compensation of the assistant medical and executive officers, nurses, and employees of the hospital; and
- (4) provide the food, heat, light, and medical and surgical equipment, appliances, and supplies necessary for the proper and best treatment of the afflicted children committed to the hospital.

*As added by P.L.2-2007, SEC.191.*

#### **IC 16-23.5-4-5**

##### **Patient eligibility**

Sec. 5. Any child:

- (1) less than sixteen (16) years of age;
- (2) having a legal settlement in any county of Indiana; and
- (3) either:
  - (A) afflicted with a defect, disease or deformity, presumably curable or improvable by skilled medical and surgical treatment; or
  - (B) needing special study for diagnosis;

may be admitted to, treated at, and discharged from the hospital under the rules and regulations adopted by the management of the hospital and approved by the board of trustees.

*As added by P.L.2-2007, SEC.191.*

#### **IC 16-23.5-4-6**

##### **Acceptance of donations; bequests**

Sec. 6. The board of trustees may receive, accept, hold, and apply any donations or bequests of funds or property from individual citizens, societies, and organizations that may be tendered in good faith to assist in the construction, extension, equipment, and maintenance of the hospital to the end that the benefits of the hospital may be extended to the largest possible number of afflicted children of Indiana.

*As added by P.L.2-2007, SEC.191.*

#### **IC 16-23.5-4-7**

##### **Powers of board of trustees; consideration of advice tendered by the James Whitcomb Riley Memorial Association**

Sec. 7. The hospital is under the direction of the board of trustees. In the construction, equipment, and direction of the hospital, the board of trustees shall receive and consider the suggestions and advice that is tendered by the James Whitcomb Riley Memorial Association.

*As added by P.L.2-2007, SEC.191.*

#### **IC 16-23.5-4-8**

##### **Training school for child nursing; outpatient and social service department; establishment and maintenance**

Sec. 8. The board of trustees may establish and maintain, in connection with the hospital:

- (1) a training school for child nursing; and
  - (2) an outpatient and social service department;
- to conserve the health of the children of Indiana.

*As added by P.L.2-2007, SEC.191.*

#### **IC 16-23.5-4-9**

##### **Management and operation of hospital; nonprofit corporations**

Sec. 9. An Indiana public interest nonprofit corporation to which the board of trustees, with the approval of the governor, delegates authority to manage and operate the hospital is not subject to an audit by the state board of accounts, notwithstanding IC 5-11-1-9. However, Indiana University is subject to an audit by the state board of accounts.

*As added by P.L.2-2007, SEC.191.*